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SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION**HOLDING DEVICE FOR ICE-CREAM CONES
AND METHOD FOR THE USE THEREOF****BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION****Field of the Invention**

[0001] The present invention concerns a holding device for ice-cream cones ~~of the kind specified in the preamble of claim 1.~~ The invention also concerns a method for using the holding device.

~~Background of the Invention~~

[0002] When selling and handling ice-cream cones, ~~e.g. for example~~ soft ice, it is often a problem that special cone-holders are to be used if the filled ice-cream cones cannot be handed over successively to the customer or receiver.

~~Object of the Invention~~

[0003] The invention ~~has the purpose of indicating is~~ a new and improved holding device of the kind specified in the introduction, and which in a simple way enables placing a cone or a cornet filled with ice, ~~e.g. for example~~ soft ice, on a plane base, ~~e.g. for~~ a counter or a table.

Description of the Invention

[0004] The holding device according to the invention is ~~characterised in that is designed with~~ has a projecting support member at a side of the opening, the support member designed with a straight edge part which is spaced apart from the opening and extends perpendicularly relative to a ~~centre~~ center axis through the support member and the opening. In a simple way and by means of the holding device according to the invention it is hereby possible to place a cornet or a cone filled with ice-cream, ~~e.g. for example~~ soft ice, on a plane base, ~~e.g. for example~~ a counter or a table. It is thus necessary to have disposal of current holding devices with a number of holes for accommodating a corresponding number of filled ice cones. The straight edge part of the sup-

port member prevents in a simple way the holding device with a cornet or cone filled with ice-cream from turning over or rolling around.

[0005] Suitably, the holding device according to the invention may be made double in such a way that it includes two uniform sides that are continuous and bent about the straight edge part, ~~i.e. that is~~ the holding device includes two continuous support members and two mutually separated uniform holder parts with two circular openings disposed opposite each other.

[0006] Preferably, the holding device according to the invention is designed so that the holder part essentially is shaped as a ring which at one side is connected with the support member or the support members.

[0007] Advantageously, the holding device according to the invention may furthermore be designed so that the support member or support members are designed with side edges extending with a convex curving shape from opposed ends of the straight edge part towards the annular holder part or holder parts.

[0008] The invention furthermore ~~concerns~~ is a method for using the holding device according to the invention in connection with a cornet or a cone for edible ice, ~~e.g. for example~~ soft ice, the method ~~characterised by the following steps~~ comprising:

- ~~[-] enveloping~~ a cornet or cone ~~is enveloped~~ by a napkin;
- ~~[-] passing~~ the holder part of a holding device ~~is passed up~~ around the napkin and ~~secures~~ securing it externally of the cornet or cone;
- ~~[-] filling~~ ice-cream or soft ice ~~is filled~~ into the cornet or in the cone; and
- ~~[-] preferably placing~~ the filled cornet or the filled cone ~~is preferably placed~~ on a flat base supported by the support member of the holding device.

[0009] The method according to the invention may include additional steps:

- ~~[-] placing~~ a piece of chocolate, a piece of candy and/or a towelette is placed in the double support member in such a way that the item in question projects outside the sides of the support member.

Description of the Drawing**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

[0010] The invention is described more closely in connection with the drawing, on which:

- Fig. 1 shows a cornet or a cone;
- Fig. 2 shows a plan view of an embodiment of a holding device according to the invention;
- Fig. 3 shows a perspective view of a holding device according to the invention is disposed on a cornet or an ice-cream cone;
- Fig. 4 shows a second embodiment of a holding device according to the invention;
- Fig. 5 shows a perspective of an ice-cream cone with a napkin which is fixed externally of the ice-cream cone by means of a holding device according to the invention;
- Fig. 6 shows a perspective view of an ice-cream cone, cf. Fig. 4, which is filled with soft ice.
- Fig. 7 shows a plan view of a third embodiment of a holding device according to the invention;
- Fig. 8 shows a perspective view of a fourth embodiment of a holding device according to the invention;
- Fig. 9 shows a perspective view of a fifth embodiment of a holding device according to the invention; and
- Fig. 10 shows a perspective view of a sixth embodiment of a holding device according to the invention.

~~Detailed Description of the Invention~~**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

[0011] In Fig. 1 is shown a cornet or an ice-cream cone 2, while Fig. 2 shows a holding device 4 with a holder part 6 with a circular opening 8 for accommodating a cornet or a cone 2 and a support member 10 projecting from the holder part 6 and provided with a straight edge part 12 spaced apart from the holder part 6 and with side edges 14 extending with a convex curving shape from opposed ends of the edge part 12 towards the holder part 6.

[0012] In Fig. 3 is shown how a double embodiment of a holder device 14 is mounted externally of the cornet or cone 2, so that it by itself may be supported at an inclining position on a plane surface, ~~e.g.~~ for example a counter or a table.

[0013] Fig. 4 shows a double embodiment of a holding device 14 which is bent along the common straight edge 12, ~~i.e.~~ that is the holding device 14 ~~consists of~~ has two uniform holder parts 16, 18 and of two uniform continuous double support members 20, 22, which, as shown in Fig. 5, may be used for holding a piece of chocolate 21, a piece of candy or a towelette.

[0014] In Fig. 5 is furthermore shown how the ice cone 2 may be enveloped by a napkin 24 which is fixed externally on the ice cone 2 by means of the holding device 14. ~~I.e.~~ that is the ice cone 2 is now ready to be filled with ice-cream, ~~e.g.~~ that is soft ice. Fig. 6 shows the filled ice cone 2 mounted with a napkin 24 which is fixed externally of the ice cone 2 by means of the holding device 14. In a good way is hereby avoided spilling too much ice-cream down over hands and arms. By means of a ice cone holder according to the invention one is provided the option of putting the ice-cream cone aside instead of asking someone else to hold the ice.

[0015] Fig. 7 shows a third embodiment of a holding device 26 largely corresponding to the holding device 4 cf. Fig. 2, but where the support member 10 is designed with two circular holes 28 intended for receiving and fixing an elongated item, ~~e.g.~~ for example a disposable teaspoon of plastic, which is passed through both holes 28.

[0016] The holding device 30 shown in Fig. 8 is provided with a double-walled support member 10 which in a front wall part 32 is provided with a holder flap 34 intended for fixing an item which in that case extends transversely of the support member 10 at both sides of the holding flap 34. The double-walled support member 10 may, similar to the double support members 20, 22 ~~cf.~~ compare Figs. 3-6, serve to receive and fix an item, ~~e.g.~~ for example a piece of candy, a piece of chewing gum or a piece of chocolate.

[0017] In the holding device 36 shown in Fig. 9, a support member 10 is designed with a primary holding flap 38 which in turn is designed with a lesser secondary holding flap 40, where the holding flaps 38, 40 may serve to secure e.g. for example one or more pieces of candy or the like.

[0018] In the holding device 42 shown in Fig. 10, a support member 44 along a straight edge part 46 is designed with an extension in the shape of a bent wing part 48 which by means of a central wing tongue 50 may be fixed in a central holding slot 52 in the support member 44, so that an item, e.g. for example a piece of candy, a piece of chewing gum or a piece of chocolate may be secured between the support member 44 and the wing part 48.

Abstract

A holding device (4) for ice-cream cones (2) and made of paper, cardboard, plastic or of a laminate ~~consisting of these materials~~thereof, the holding device (4) including a holder part (6) with a circular opening (8) which is adapted for receiving a cornet or a cone (2) with edible ice, ~~e.g. for example~~ soft ice, the holding device (4) ~~being designed with~~including a projecting support member (10) at a side of the opening (8), where the support member (10) ~~is designed with~~has a straight edge part (12) spaced apart from the opening (8) and ~~extends~~extending perpendicularly relative to a ~~centre~~center axis through the support member (10) and the opening (8). ~~In a simple way and by means of the~~With the holding device according to the invention, it is hereby possible to place a cornet or a cone filled with ice-cream, ~~e.g. for example~~ soft ice, on a plane base, ~~e.g. for example~~ a counter or a table. It is thus necessary to have disposal of current holding devices with a number of holes for accommodating a corresponding number of filled ice cones. In a simple way, the straight edge part of the support member prevents the holding device with a cornet or cone filled with ice-cream from turning over or rolling around.

(Figs. 1-3)